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beginning an advanced degree program. There is a limited time frame that might be very difficult for them if they are full-time teaching, and also taking care of family, and other concerns. So this does allow some flexibility. We are talking about quality, trying to improve the quality of our schools. We know that quality teachers depend very much on providing quality education for our students. Again, this just adds some flexibility to this factor. It is no way lowering the standards, and I ask for your vote on this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. The house is under call. Senators Elmer and Schimek, please return to the Chamber. The house is under call. Senators Wehrbein and Wickersham, please return to the Chamber. The house is under call. Senators Wehrbein and Elmer, please return to the Chamber. The house is under call. We are all present. The question before the body is the adoption of the Stuhr amendment to the amendment. All those in favor please vote aye, those opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record. A rejord vote has been requested.

CLERK: (Read record vote. See page 882 of the Legislative Journal.) 34 ayes, 0 mays on the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: The Stuhr amendment to the amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk, items for the record?

CLERK: Thank you, Mr. President. Health and Human Services reports (LB) 1354 to General File; and Appropriations Committee reports (LB) 1158 to General File; (LB) 1100 to General File with amendments; (LB) 1138 to General File with amendments; (LB) 1199, indefinitely postponed. Senator Will, amendments to LB 309 to be printed. (See pages 882-86 of the Legislative Journal.)

The next amendment to this component of the committee amendments is by Senator Chambers. (See FA552 on page 884 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Senator Chambers, to open on your amendment to the amendment.